

At your town recycling site:

FILM PLASTIC RECYCLING

- ♻️ Plastic salt bags
- ♻️ Plastic bird seed bags
- ♻️ Plastic fertilizer bags
- ♻️ Ground cover garden plastic
- ♻️ Clear or black plastic sheet plastic
- ♻️ Plastic mesh animal feed sacks
- ♻️ Plastic grocery or retail sale bags
- ♻️ Shrink wrap plastics



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- **Plastic must be clean, empty, and debris free.**
 - **Container plastic, such as bottles, should be placed in appropriate dumpster, not in the tote.**
 - **Totes are for film plastics only – no containers, paper, or trash.**

At your farm:

AG PLASTIC RECYCLING

White and black:

- ♻️ Bunker covers
- ♻️ Silage bags

White/green/brown

- ♻️ Bale wrap

Other

- ♻️ Plastic sacks
- ♻️ Plastic twine
- ♻️ Bale mesh



Totes can be picked up at:

- **Gilman Feed Co**
- **Medford Coop Feed Mill**
- **Rib Lake Recycling Center**
- **UW-Extension Office**

Be sure to pick up instructions for separating and handling your ag plastics for recycling.

Call the UW-Extension office, 715-748-3327, or the Taylor County Recycling Authority, 715-748-1485, for more information about this program.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE COLLECTED PLASTIC?

The collected plastic is sent to a processing facility where it is manufactured into interlocking plastic sidewalk tiles.



The Taylor County Recycling Authority is also investigating the possibility of sending the plastic waste to a biofuels facility that would convert the plastic into fuel.

A FEW PLASTIC FACTS

- Every year enough plastic film is produced in the U.S. to shrink wrap Texas.
- A car can drive about 1 mile on the amount of petroleum used to make 14 plastic bags.
- At least 12 million barrels of oil are used per year to make the 100 billion plastic shopping bags used by Americans.

WHY SHOULDN'T I BURN MY WASTE PLASTIC?

- **What's so bad about burning plastic?**

It is unhealthy. Burning plastics releases toxic and potentially cancer causing chemicals into the air.

It pollutes. Toxins released into the air during burning can fall on our soils and in our water.

It is unsafe. Burning garbage or brush can lead to wildfires, property damage and sometimes loss of life.

The smoke and ash can irritate eyes and lungs, which is especially bad for people with asthma or heart disease.

- **It is illegal to burn any plastics in Wisconsin.**

Under no circumstances should plastics, including film and ag plastics, be burned, even on your property.

"It is illegal to burn asphalt, garbage, metal, petroleum products, plastics, rubber and painted or treated wood. These materials release toxic pollutants into the air and are recognized as a significant health risk and public nuisance. Burning recyclable paper or cardboard is also prohibited."

– WDNR website



Film plastics can now be recycled.

Place items, listed inside, in the Super Sack Tote at your town recycling site.

FARMERS:

There is a separate program for ag plastics, such as silage bags, bunker covers, bale wrap, plastic twine. You can get a Super Sack Tote to keep at your farm. Please do not put ag plastics in the Tote at your town site. See inside for more information.

**Taylor County
Recycling Authority**

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